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SUBJ: CCD CO-CHAIRMEN'S LUCH

1. ON AUG 19 CO-CHAIRMEN'S LUNCHEON, AMB ROSHCIN (SOVIET CCD REP) RAISED ISSUE OF ON-SITE OBSERVATION OF CW STOCKPILE DESTRUCTION AS ELEMENT OF POSSIBLE AGREEMENT LIMITING CHEMICAL WEAPONS. HE STATED, AND THEN REPEATED LATER FOR EMPHASIS, THAT HIS EXTEMPORANEOUS REPLY AT AUG 15 PLENARY TO SWEDISH STATEMENT ON CW DESTRUCTION (GENEVA 5288) WAS NOT INTENDED TO GIVE IMPRESSION THAT SOVIET GOVERNMENT WOULD FIND UNACCEPTABLE SPECIFIC TREATY PROVISION CALLING FOR PRESENCE OF OBSERVERS DURING DESTRUCTION OR CONVERSION TO PEACEFUL PURPOSES OF CW STOCKS. SOVIET GOV, HE SAID, HAD NOT YET MADE DECISION ON THIS QUESTION. HIS PLENARY REMARKS WERE INTENDED SIMPLY TO POINT OUT THAT THERE EXISTED THE POSSIBILITY, OR RISK, THAT
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INDUSTRIAL SECRETS COULD BE REVEALED IN PROCESS OF

DESTROYING STOCKS IN PRESENCE OF OBSERVERS.

2. IN SURVEY OF ISSUES THAT COULD ARISE AT 29TH UNGA, ROSCHIN DREW ATTENTION TO SOVIET-SPONSORED AGENDA ITEM ON ENVIRONMENTAL WARFARE. AMB MARTIN (US CCD REP) ASKED HOW SOVIET REQUEST TO INSCRIBE ITEM ON UNGA AGENDA RELATED TO JOINT US-SOVIET SUMMIT STATEMENT ON SAME SUBJECT. ROSCHIN CONFESSED HE DID NOT KNOW HOW THE TWO RELATED TO ONE ANOTHER. MARTIN INQUIRED WHETHER USSR WOULD BE INTRODUCING UNGA RESOLUTION ON ENVIRONMENTAL WARFARE AND, IF SO, WHAT FORM RESOLUTION WOULD TAKE. ROSCHIN INDICATED HE HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF ANY SOVIET RESOLUTION. HOWEVER, HE SPECULATED, SEEMINGLY ON PERSONAL BASIS, THAT SUCH A RESOLUTION MIGHT, ALTERNATIVELY, CALL ON US AND USSR TO SUBMIT JOINT INITIATIVE ON ENVIRONMENTAL WARFARE, ASK CCD TO TAKE UP MATTER, OR SET UP SPECIAL GROUP TO INVESTIGATE MATTER.

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